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Introducer's Statement of Intent
LB 631

Chairperson: Tom Baker
Committee: Transportation and Telecommunications
Date of Hearing: March 1, 2005

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LB 631 would amend Section 60-6,144 regarding the issuance of permits for using controlled-access highways. When a highway is converted into a freeway there are added restrictions as to which vehicles cannot use the freeway (such as farm tractors). This could cause undue hardship to certain people when the bridge which he or she uses to access land on either side of a river becomes part of a freeway. These people could end up traveling a considerable distance in detouring to another bridge which is not part of a freeway.

Section 60-6,144 currently allows the Department of Roads to issue one-time permits for entering a controlled-access highway in cases of extreme emergency. LB 631 removes the extreme emergency language, thereby allowing the Department of Roads more freedom in issuing permits.

Principal Introducer: _____
Senator Roger R. Wehrbein